USDA FOREST SERVICE ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT DEADMAN CORNERS PROJECT

The Allegheny National Forest is requesting comments on the Deadman Corners Vegetation Management Project. The opportunity to comment begins when this legal notice is published in the *Kane Republican* newspaper and ends 30 days after publication occurs. This project is located in Howe Township, Forest County, Pennsylvania. The project area is generally located north of Marienville and within the Tionesta Creek, South Branch Tionesta Creek, and Spring Creek watersheds.

The proposed action includes timber harvesting (even aged and uneven aged management), understory vegetation treatments, transportation management (including road construction), and activities for wildlife and watershed management. Proposed timber harvesting would result in several temporary openings greater than 40 acres in size. Additional information may be found in the scoping documents at https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=59279. Printed copies of the scoping documents are available upon request.

An environmental assessment will be prepared, and this project will be subject to the administrative review process identified at 36 C.F.R. part 218 subparts A and B.

- An individual or entity must submit timely and specific written comments during a public comment period to be eligible to file an objection.
- Comments must be within the scope of the proposed action, have a direct relationship to the proposed action, and include supporting reasons for the responsible official to consider. They must also identify the title of the project and provide the name and postal address of the commenter. A signature, or other verification of identify, may also be required upon request.
- Comments must be postmarked, or otherwise received, no later than 30 days after publication of this legal notice.
- This may be the only designated comment period for this project.

Comments received, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be available for public inspection as part of the project record.

- Comments may be sent by mail to the responsible official, Robert T. Fallon, District Ranger, Marienville Ranger District, 131 Smokey Lane, Marienville, PA 16239
- Comments may be emailed to comments-eastern-allegheny-marienville@usda.gov. Electronic comments must be submitted in formats compatible with Microsoft Office and Adobe Acrobat software. Please include "Deadman Corners" on the subject line and include your name and physical mailing address with your comments.
- Comments may be provided by calling 814-927-5700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
- Comments may be faxed to 814-927-2285.

For additional information, please feel free to contact Kevin Treese, Planning Team Leader, at 814-927-5759 or kevin.treese@usda.gov.

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